## BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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In the Matter of	)		
John and Ruth Stauffer	)	MURs 4568, 4633, 4634 and 4736	
Sam Brownback for US Senate and	)	APMAITA:	
Alan Groesbeck, as treasurer	)	SENSITIVE	

## **GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT**

I. ACTIONS RECOMMENDED: Accept the attached proposed conciliation agreement with John and Ruth Stauffer, close the file as to them; and approve the appropriate letter.

## II. DISCUSSION:

On May 17, 2001, the Federal Election Commission found probable cause to believe that John and Ruth Stauffer ("the Stauffers") violated 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(1) by making excessive contributions to the Sam Brownback for US Senate Committee.

## III. <u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

- 1. Accept the attached proposed conciliation agreement with John and Ruth Stauffer.
- 2. Close the file as to John and Ruth Stauffer.
- 3. Approve the appropriate letter.

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